

1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR
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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 BERNADEAN RITTMAN, *et al.*,
11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.
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14 AMAZON.COM INC., *et al.*,
15 Defendants.

CASE NO. C16-1554-JCC

ORDER CONSOLIDATING
CASES

16 This matter comes before the Court on the parties' stipulated motion for consolidation
17 pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(b) and Local Civil Rule 42 (Dkt. No. 86). The
18 motion is GRANTED. The Clerk is DIRECTED to consolidate case number C17-1438-JCC into
case number C16-1554-JCC. All future pleadings shall bear the case number C16-1554-JCC.

19 Pursuant to the Court's order dated March 22, 2017 (Dkt. No. 77), the case will remain
20 stayed until such time as the parties inform the Court that the Supreme Court has rendered its
21 decision in *Epic Systems Corp. v. Lewis* (U.S. Jan. 13, 2017) (No. 16-285) or, following a Ninth
22 Circuit decision in *Van Dusen v. Swift Transp. Co.*, No. 17-15102 (9th Cir. Jan. 20, 2017),
23 Plaintiffs renew their argument that they are exempt from the Federal Arbitration Act and,
24 therefore, would not be affected by *Epic*. The stay applies to all claims in this matter, including
25 those brought under the California Private Attorney General Act, Cal. Lab Code § 2699.
26 Defendants' deadline to respond to the complaint for the case previously assigned case number

1 C17-1438-JCC (Iain Mack v. Amazon.com Inc.) will be fourteen (14) days after the stay is lifted.

2 DATED this 14th day of November 2017.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE